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- 1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2000-99010, published April 7, 2000.
- 2. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 10-275186, published October 13, 1998.
- 3. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 8-83232, published March 26, 1996.
- 4. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 8-289270, published November 1, 1996.
- 5. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 9-185570, published July 15, 1997.

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